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GOOD RESOLUTIONS.

It is customary for the individual to pass resolutions on New Years for the government of himself in the future. There is no harm in such resolutions provided they are prompted by good motives. It is well to remember, however, that good resolutions can be passed every day of the year and that in this respect no certain day has preference above any other.

New Years, being the beginning of the year, the custom of resolving to be good for a year fell more naturally and largely upon this day. But the thing to do is to resolve to do that which is right, and proper, and best for all time—not for a day or a year. If you make a good resolution, and you should make many of them, do not allow yourself to “backslide”. As one day is the equal of any other for a good deed so it is for a resolution to do better. It is never too soon nor too late to resolve to lead a better life or wage war against evil.

Try to take an interest in whatever falls to you to do. Be enthusiastic in your work, in your sports, in everything, but do not fancy you are displaying enthusiasm when in reality you are simple, rude or vulgar. Do not make a “foot print on the sands of time” where your toes point to or from anything you will be ashamed of.

Nothing stands still in this world. Composition or decomposition, formation or decay, is in process all the time. What is not building is subject to the ravages of time and the elements. Youth is the formative period of human life, therefore let every young man and woman build of the best, especially in the matter of character.

BREVITIES.

The Spokane Athletic Club defeated the Seattle Athletic Club on New Year's Day by a score of 6 to 0.

Our girls put up a fine game of basketball on Thursday evening, considering the short time they had to practice.

The Monmouth girls' basketball team played the Chemawa girls last night and the score was 7 to 12 in favor of Monmouth.

The members of the Y. M. C. A. junior basketball team met last Thursday morning and elected a captain. James Evans received the most votes.

We are all sorry to hear of the death of Harry Long, a former pupil of this school, which occurred at Fort Jones, California, on the twenty-ninth of December. Harry was a most estimable young man and was highly regarded by all his schoolmates and teachers at Chemawa. The sympathy of Chemawa is extended to his mother and brothers.